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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS **Board Agenda Letter**

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Michael Stoltz for Robert Peterson - Director

Public Works

REPORT BY: Jane Slattery, Senior Engineering Aide, 259-8372

SUBJECT: Award of Contract for "650 Imperial Way Fire Protection System Modifications", PW 05-40

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Public Works requests award of the contract for the "650 Imperial Way Fire Protection System Modifications Project," PW 05-04, to RCM Fire Protection, Inc. of Tracy, California, for their low base bid of \$103,500 and authorization for the Chair to sign the construction contract.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Board of Supervisors authorized Public Works to solicit bids for the "650 Imperial Way Fire Protection System Modifications Project", PW 05-04 on July 26, 2005. Bids were opened on September 8, 2005 with the lowest bid being submitted by RCM Fire Protection, Inc. of Tracy in the amount of \$103,500, which is within the budget. Staff recommends award of the construction project to the qualified lowest bidder, RCM Fire Protection, Inc..

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes
Is it currently budgeted? Yes

Where is it budgeted? Capital Improvement Program

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Mandatory

Is the general fund affected? Yes

Future fiscal impact: There is no future fiscal impact past the current fiscal year. All project

expenses will conclude this fiscal year.

Consequences if not approved: 650 Imperial Way will be out of compliance with current fire codes.

Additional Information: None

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Categorial Exemption Class1: It has been determined that this type of project does not have a significant effect on the environment and is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. [See Class 1 ("Existing Facilities") which may be found in the guidelines for the implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act at 14 CCR & 15301; see also Napa County's Local Procedures for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act, Appendix B.}

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

On December 3, 2004 the County Executive Officer/Purchasing Agent authorized Amendment No. 1 to an existing Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Hughes Associates, Inc. of Grass Valley, California for an amount not to exceed \$21,000 for fire code feasibility and design services related to bringing the 650 Imperial Way building up to current fire code. It was determined that the scope of work necessary to bring the building up to fire code consisted of the removal of existing non-compliant fire alarm components and the standardization of fire sprinkler heads throughout the building.

In coordination with the County's Risk Manager, staff also reviewed the fire standards for purposes related to the American with Disabilities Act and consistency in fire protection levels for County facilities. It was determined that it was necessary to provide installation of a compliant fire alarm system including the installation of horns and strobes to notify occupants in case of a fire, and installation of airduct smoke detectors. On May 24, 2005 the Board approved amendment No. 2 for an additional \$9,515 for the preparation of plans and specifications and construction administration assistance services related to the recommended additional fire protection items.

On July 26, 2005 the Board of Supervisors approved plans and specifications for the "650 Imperial Way Fire Protection System Modifications Project", PW 05-04, authorized Public Works to advertise for sealed bids and for opening of bids at a time, date and location to be published by the Director of Public Works pursuant to Section 20150.8 of the Public Contract Code.

On September 8, 2005 the low was submitted by RDM Fire Protection Inc. of Tracy, California in the amount of \$103,500. The engineers estimate of the project cost was \$117,000. Staff recommends award of the Construction Contract to RCM Fire Protection Inc.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Britt Ferguson